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To: Torres, Francine

Subject: In Support of NOSB Livestock Recommendation

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Dear USDA,

I am writing to you in support of the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB) Livestock Committee's I

My husband and I own a small ranch in the panhandle of Texas where we raise a dozen or so Hereford

When I buy an organic product, I am even willing to pay significantly higher prices in order that I am ass

Cows need grass. Cows need sunshine. Please help them and us.

Sincerely,

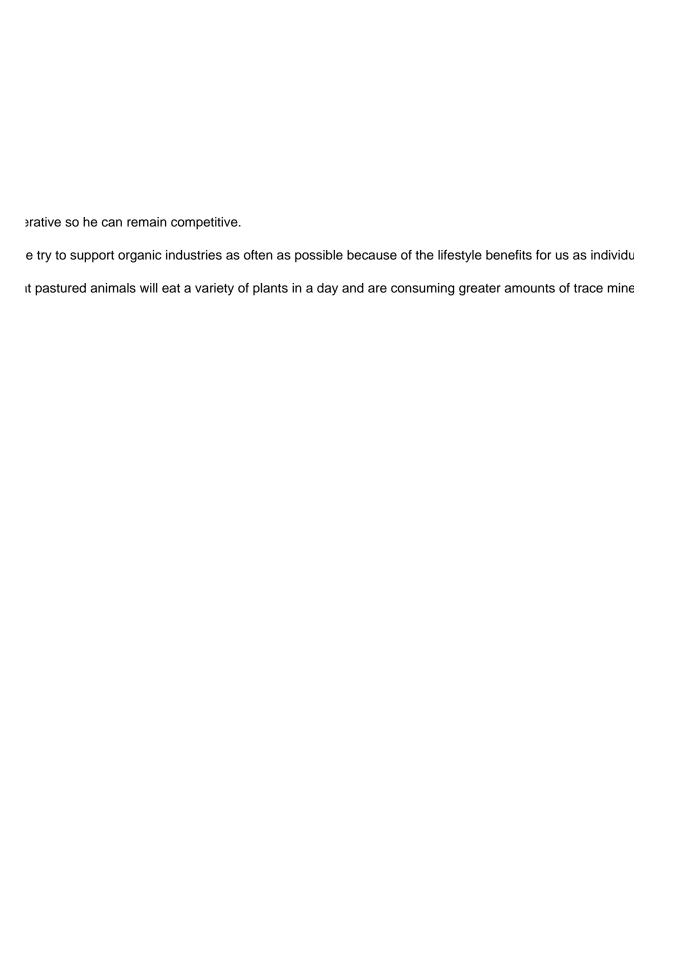
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recommendations regarding standards for pasturing of ruminant animals. Having read their suggestions is for beef, although our living is made through the construction company we own and my work as a che sured that the product has been produced using a healthy, sustainable method. The standards for pastured that the product has been produced using a healthy, sustainable method.

and raising beef animals for family and friends' use, I am personally familiar with raising cattle and know
mical engineer for the local refinery. The standards given by the committee are commensurate with our ring that are required in the committee's recommendations help assure me as a consumer that the prod

w that their recommendations are sound and attainable. It is important that the "organic" label requires s	
own practices as beef producers and with the operations of other nature sensitive folks we know. We as	
ucts I buy are produced in that manner. For example, I pay nearly a dollar a gallon more for organic milk	

uch minimum standards so the average consumer can know the conditions under which their food was p	
re in an area where the confined dairy and beef feedlot industries are large. As business people ourselv	
k because I strongly believe in the importance of limiting the artificial chemicals introduced into our food	



uals and for the ultimate benefits for the community at large. On a daily basis we are	
∍rals and compounds that are not available to a confined animal. These are passed	d along to us in our fo

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ully, the organic industry can continue to grow and provide a better life for people and animals, both phys	
nt my teenage sons drink tripled because "it tastes better." Yes, my milk bill went up considerably	